



CICA BUSINESS COUNCIL



MAIN GOALS OF THE CICA BUSINESS COUNCIL

To provide assistance and support in searching, collecting, and issuing necessary information and other aspects for implementing joint projects within CICA

To promote the development of economic cooperation in the field of SME among the CICA Member States in areas of mutual interest and to create a favorable environment

To promote cooperation between CICA and other international organizations in areas of SME



To identify the areas of cooperation facilitating effective exchange of goods and services in trade operations and investment cooperation among the CICA Member States and to disseminate related information among them

To coordinate the process of data exchange to develop cooperation between the representatives of commercial organizations and public authorities, chambers of commerce, and business organizations/associations of the CICA Member States

To promote intra-regional cooperation within the CICA by holding appropriate events (exhibitions, conferences, and others) and by organizing business missions to get acquainted with activities of and enterprises of the CICA Member States, including small and medium enterprises (SME companies)



HISTORY

**24-25 NOVEMBER
2015**

BEIJING, CHINA

Founding Assembly of
the CICA Business Council.

Agenda: the Belt & Road
Initiative and Enhancing
Infrastructure Interconnectivity
in CICA Region; SMEs
Collaboration in CICA Region;
Strengthening Investment &
Financial Cooperation among
CICA Member States. Followed
by the CICA Business Forum

**10-11 NOVEMBER
2016**

ASTANA, KAZAKHSTAN

Second plenary session

Agenda: the review of the
previous year's activities
and plans for the next year.
Followed by the CICA Business
Forum

**12 OCTOBER
2017**

MOSCOW, RUSSIA

Third plenary session

Agenda: Export of Consumer
Goods to CICA Member States'
Markets by SMEs: Problems
and Solutions. Followed by the
CICA Business Forum

**24-25 JUNE
2021**

NUR-SULTAN¹, KAZAKHSTAN

Fourth plenary session
(online)

Agenda: Prospects of
Business in the Context of
the Pandemic. Followed by
the CICA Business Forum

¹ "Nur-Sultan" was
the former name of Astana
from March 23rd to
September 17th, 2022



CICA Business Council is an advisory body responsible for promoting the development and expansion of economic cooperation in the Small and Medium Entrepreneurship (SME) sphere, establishing direct ties and initiating dialogue between the representatives of the private sector and state bodies of the Member States and for their engagement in all-round cooperation in the economic direction with the purpose of initiating a mutually beneficial regional economic cooperation.

**27 JUNE
2022**

NUR-SULTAN, KAZAKHSTAN

Fifth plenary session (hybrid)

Agenda: Digitalization of business processes in small and medium enterprises and food security. Followed by the CICA Business Forum

**13 NOVEMBER
2023**

ASTANA, KAZAKHSTAN

Sixth plenary session (hybrid)

Agenda: Food Security, Renewable Energy, and Green Finance. Followed by the CICA Business Forum

**IV QUARTER
2024**

BISHKEK, KYRGYZSTAN

Seventh Plenary session (hybrid)
Followed by the CICA Business Forum

Agenda: - Leveraging artificial intelligence for SME development: Enhancing cross-border trade through e-commerce advancements; Navigating new challenges in logistics and infrastructure; Empowering women in small and medium enterprises across the CICA region; Prioritizing sustainable development in SMEs



STRUCTURE OF THE CICA BUSINESS COUNCIL



Board of the CICA Business Council – the permanent executive body of the CICA Business Council

Meetings of the CICA Business Council members are referred to as the Plenary Session

THE BOARD'S STRUCTURE



The Chairman shall be a representative of a private company or a national SME organization/association of the CICA Member State, assuming the CICA Chairmanship

The CICA Chairmanship shall nominate the chairman of the Board for two years



Vice-Chairmen from coordinating and co-coordinating countries

Vice-Chairpersons shall be representatives from coordinating and co-coordinating countries in the priority area of Small and Medium Enterprise (SME) Development.



One or more designated representatives from the Secretariat

THE CURRENT COMPOSITION OF THE BOARD OF THE CICA BUSINESS COUNCIL:

National Chamber of Entrepreneurs of the Republic of Kazakhstan «Atameken»
(Chair)

Corporation for the Development of Small and Medium Enterprises, Russia

Federation of Thai Industries, Thailand

Small and Medium Enterprises Development Organization (KOSGEB), Türkiye

CICA Secretary General

FUNCTIONING OF THE BOARD'S CHAIR

to coordinate activities for organizing and holding the Plenary Sessions;

to coordinate interaction with the CICA Secretariat;

to maintain contact with the members of the Board during the period between the Plenary Sessions;

to develop a detailed action plan for implementing the endorsed and adopted solutions/proposals during the Plenary Sessions, if necessary, with the approval of the SOC, and to monitor its implementation;

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STRUCTURE AND FUNCTIONING OF THE CICA BUSINESS COUNCIL BOARD



THE BOARD SHALL PERFORM THE FOLLOWING FUNCTIONS:

to introduce a draft agenda and program of Plenary Sessions for approval of the CICA Business Council

to discuss and resolve issues related to the activities of the CICA Business Council, assist the implementation of confidence-building measures to achieve the intended objectives

to prepare a draft work schedule of the CICA Business Council, minutes of the meetings of the CICA Business Council as well as the set of proposals introduced at the Plenary Session for the approval of the SWG and SOC; and take necessary actions on approved and adopted proposals

to establish and maintain contacts with international organizations and national business organizations/ associations and public authorities of the CICA Member States on the activities of the CICA Business Council with the approval of SOC

to prepare and organize the Plenary Sessions in consultation with the host CICA Member-State

to approve and develop with the Secretariat the structure and work plan of the special meetings and events, whenever required, in consultation with members of the CICA Business Council

STRUCTURE AND FUNCTIONING OF THE CICA BUSINESS COUNCIL BOARD

THE BOARD CARRIES OUT ITS FUNCTIONS IN THE FOLLOWING ORDER:

The Board shall hold its meetings
before the Plenary Session

the board members shall discuss the
organizational issues and coordinate
current and further activities of the
CICA Business Council

FINANCING OF THE BOARD OF BUSINESS COUNCIL

The receiving party shall bear
the organizational and technical
expenses related to holding the CICA
Business Council's board meetings
and plenary sessions

The country initiating the proposal
shall bear organizational and
technical expenses related to
extraordinary meetings. The sending
party shall bear expenses for
transportation to the venue and
boarding and lodging

STRUCTURE AND FUNCTIONING OF THE CICA BUSINESS COUNCIL

The members of the CICA Business Council shall consist of appointed members – three representatives of each CICA Member State. The CICA Member States shall appoint two representatives from national business organizations from SMEs.

The third appointed representative shall be an official of the CICA Member State who is responsible for coordinating and implementing public policy in the field of SME.

The CICA Business Council may carry out such forms of cooperation as business fora, exhibitions, presentations, conferences, roundtables, workshops, and business trips for representatives of SME business organizations of the CICA Member States and other activities. The date, venue, agenda, program, and work plan of events shall be developed by the Board in conjunction with the CICA Secretariat in consultation with Members of the CICA Business Council.



The CICA Business Council, in consultation with its Members, has the authority to invite to their events representatives of commercial organizations or national business organizations/associations and public authorities of the CICA Member States, who are not Members of the CICA Business Council, and representatives of international organizations as invited guests, subject to approval of SOC.



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